**RTOERO DISTRICT 32 EXECUTIVE MEETING**

**March 4, 2024**

**AGENDA**

**1. Welcome**

 **2. Present: Pat, Caroll, Linda, Anne Marie, Bill, Pauline,**

 **Kathy, Jill, John, Lynne, Val, Sandy, Eileen, Richard**

 **Regrets: Mary, Ruth, Dorothy, Melanie**

**3. Agenda- additions**

 **4. Minutes/ Notes from the January 22, 2024 meeting- errors**

 **or omissions**

**5. Business**

 **6. President’s Report - Pat**

**Items from February District President Zoom Meeting**

**Gift cards**

The giving of gift cards to RTOERO members is strictly prohibited at all levels of RTOERO, including district executives, as it threatens the organization’s not-for-profit status. A great alternative to gift cards is sending items from the RTOERO eStore.

**Policies - Section 7 District Executive Member Commitment**

As a means to support any districts experiencing difficulties, the board has approved the addition of a new Section 7 to the RTOERO\_Policies regarding members’ commitments to their executive positions. 7.01 covers the expectations of an executive member and 7.02 covers the process undertaken should an executive member fail to meet these expectations.

**French language services standards & district bilingual grant**

A new French-language service standards policy was approved by the board in 2023. RTOERO districts with 15% or more French language members are now automatically designated bilingual, and any district can request to be designated as bilingual. The RTOERO bilingual grant is available to districts designated bilingual to reimburse translation costs, printing of any French communications and other provision of French language service.

The French language service standards policy can be found on the RTOERO website.

**Update on cyber security and RTOERO e-mail addresses**

Suspicious emails with a name you recognize but an email address you do not, tend to be spam. The best practice is to block the sender and delete the email. All RTOERO email accounts, including the presidents’ RTOERO email accounts, have a feature that highlights emails from external addresses by listing EXTERNAL in the subject line, which can help you identify spam emails.

**PAC Workshop – April 28-29**

Registration information for the 2024 PAC Workshop, held on April 28-29, will be sent out in the coming weeks. Districts will be able to register their political advocacy coordinator - or one other delegate if the political advocacy coordinator cannot attend.

**District milestone membership recognition certificates have been sent.**

Going forward there will be an option to opt out of receiving these certificates for subsequent years. Milestone membership pins and certificate holders can be ordered from the RTOERO eStore

**Foundation 2024 on-line auction**

In spring 2024, the RTOERO Foundation will be hosting an online silent auction open to RTOERO members across the country. The Foundation are seeking support securing experience related auction items, particularly from outside Ontario. Please contact Tammy Gonsalves, Manager of Philanthropy at tgonsalves@rtoero.ca with ideas or for more information.

***Important Dates***

April 28-29 – Political Advocacy Workshop

May 14-15 – Annual Meeting and Spring Forum

May 15-17 – International Summit on the Future of Ageing

June 2-3 – Benefits Workshop

May 31 – Community Grants Application Deadline

September 8-9 – Presidents Workshop

October 22-23 – Fall Forum November 17-18

November 17-18 – Marketing and Communications Workshop

**7. Vice-President’s Report - Val**

**8. Treasurer’s Report - Anne-Marie**

 **9. Secretary’s Report - Correspondence - Linda**

**10. Committee Reports**

 **A) Goodwill - Melanie, Eileen**

 **B) Membership and Recruitment - Bill, Pauline**

 **C) Communication**

 **Newsletter - Kathy**

 **Facebook - Carolle**

 **Website - John - no report**

 **D) Member Services - Anne Marie**

 **E) Benefits - Ruth- no report**

 **F) Social - Jill, Sandy**

 **G) Governance and Nomination**

 **H) Community Grants and Scholarships - Lynne**

 **I) Political Advocacy - Richard - visit from Stephane Sarazzin**

 **J) Foundation - Dorothy - no report**

**11) New Business**

 **Caroll’s campaign**

**12) Next Meeting -April 22, 2024**

**13) Adjournment**